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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER
AND FEE TRANSMITTAL FORM (37 CFR 1.53(b))

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Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 CFR 1.53(b) is:

- ☒ a patent application
☐ a Continuation ☐ a Divisional ☐ a Continuation-in-Part (CIP) Application of prior application
no. ; filed, the disclosure of which is hereby incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.
☐ and claims the benefit of Provisional Application No.

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Enclosed are:

1. ☒ Application Transmittal Letter and Fee Transmittal Form (*A duplicate is enclosed for fee processing*)
2. ☒ 13 pages of Specification (including 28 claims)
3. ☒ 4 sheets of Formal Drawings (35 USC 113)
4. ☒ Oath or Declaration
 - a. ☒ newly executed (*original or copy*)
 - b. ☐ copy from prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d) (*for continuation/divisional*) [Note Box 6 Below]
 - c. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S) (*Signed statement deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application*)
5. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76
6. ☐ Incorporation By Reference (*useable if box 4b is checked*)

The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
7. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (*Appendix*)
8. ☒ Assignment papers (*cover sheet(s) and document(s)*)


9. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
 10. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 and 4 references
 11. ☐ Preliminary Amendment (*Please enter all claim amendments prior to calculating the filing fee.*)
 12. ☐ English Translation Document
 13. ☐ Certified Copy of Application No. ; Filed
 14. ☐ Sequence Listing/ Sequence Listing Diskette
 a. ☐ computer readable copy
 b. ☐ paper copy
 c. ☐ statement in support
 15. ☐ An Associate Power of Attorney
 16. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (*Should be specifically itemized*)
 17. ☐ Other:

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| TOTAL CLAIMS | 28 - 20 = | 8 | x 09 = \$ 72.00 | x 18 = \$ |
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 b. ☒ Additional patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,



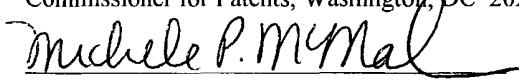
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